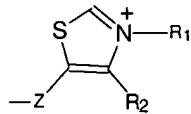


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R<sub>c</sub> represents R<sub>3</sub> or U, U representing the group of formula



R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub> and Z being as defined in claim 1,

it being understood that R<sub>b</sub> = T, if R<sub>c</sub> = R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>d</sub> = R<sub>2</sub>; R<sub>d</sub> = P, if R<sub>c</sub> = R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>b</sub> = R<sub>1</sub>; and R<sub>c</sub> = U, if R<sub>b</sub> = R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>d</sub> = R<sub>2</sub>.

in combination with a pharmaceutically inert vehicle.

21. (Amended) Pharmaceutical compositions according to claim 19,

characterized in this that they can be administered by oral route, by injectable route, or also by rectal route.

#### REMARKS

The claims have been amended to delete improper multiple dependencies.

The Office is requested to note the pending claims are separately attached as an English translation of the annexes to the IPER.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

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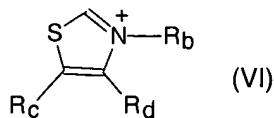
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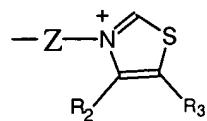
5. (Amended) Precursors according to [any one of ] claim[s] 2 [to 4], characterized in that R<sub>1</sub> is a methyl radical and R'<sub>1</sub> is either a hydrogen atom, or a methyl radical, and W is a chlorine atom.

6. (Amended) Precursors according to [any one of ] claim[s] 2[ to 5], characterized in that they are chosen from N, N'-dimethyl-N,N'-(5-chloropentyl)-1,16-hexadecanediamine hydrochloride, or N, N'-dimethyl-N,N'-(4-chloropentyl)-1,16-hexadecanediamine hydrochloride.

19. (Amended) Pharmaceutical compositions, characterized in that they contain an effective quantity of at least one precursor as defined in [any one of ] claim[s] 1[to 13], or at least one cyclized derivative corresponding to precursors of thiazolium of general formula (VI):

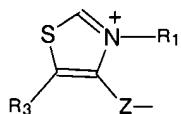


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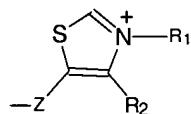


provided that  $Z$  does not represent a C1 to C8 alkyl radical, when  $R_c$ ,  $R_d$ ,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  represent a methyl radical.

$\underline{R}_d$  represents  $\underline{R}_2$  or  $\underline{P}$ ,  $\underline{P}$  representing the group of formula



$\underline{R}_c$  represents  $\underline{R}_3$  or  $\underline{U}$ ,  $\underline{U}$  representing the group of formula



$\underline{R}_1$ ,  $\underline{R}_2$ ,  $\underline{R}_3$  and  $\underline{Z}$  being as defined in claim 1,

it being understood that  $\underline{R}_b = \underline{T}$ , if  $\underline{R}_c = \underline{R}_3$  and  $\underline{R}_d = \underline{R}_2$ ;  $\underline{R}_d = \underline{P}$ , if  $\underline{R}_c = \underline{R}_3$  and  $\underline{R}_b = \underline{R}_1$ ; and  $\underline{R}_c = \underline{U}$ , if  $\underline{R}_b = \underline{R}_1$  and  $\underline{R}_d = \underline{R}_2$ .

in combination with a pharmaceutically inert vehicle.

21. (Amended) Pharmaceutical compositions according to claim 19, [or medicaments manufactured according to claim 20, ] characterized in this that they can be administered by oral route, by injectable route, or also by rectal route.